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Ravalli County Commissioners

May 8, 2007

Larry and Elaine Olsen 361 Rummel Lane Hamilton, MT 59840

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Olsen:

I visited with you on your property at Mill Creek Road and Rummel Lane on three occasions within the last few weeks as a result of complaints from your neighbors to this office and to the County Commissioners. We agreed to the following during our meetings;

- 1) The two trailers on the property were residences that are not permitted by either Planning regulations or by the Trailer Court law. One of these trailers has since been removed. Please have the other removed within 30 days of receipt of this letter.
- 2) I have inspected the mobile home on the property and it is not being lived in. There is no plumbing or electricity for this mobile. Furthermore, it has been burned inside and is somewhat unlivable. There are no laws to prohibit you from keeping this on your property to be used as a storage facility.
- 3) I have inspected the inside of the building where it is alleged that people are living. There is a mobile home inside this building. It has electricity but no plumbing. It appears to me that a part of it is used as an office of sorts and the rest is used for storage. This should not be used as a residence.
- 4) There are piles of debris on the property that would meet the definition of "community decay". This debris should be removed within 30 days of receiving this letter.
- 5) There are junk vehicles on the property. These vehicles should be removed or properly shielded within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If there is any question of which vehicles are junk vehicles and which are not, please contact Shanda Thomas in this office and she will assist you.
- 6) The part of the property is being used for a lumber operation does not appear to have a portable toilet. Please ensure that the workers have adequate sanitation facilities.

I very much appreciate the cooperation that you have shown to me during our meetings. I believe that we can resolve the issues described above. If you have any difficulty in meeting the 30 day deadline for any of the above, please let me know, in writing. I will make a followup visit in 30 days.

Please feel free to contact me at 375-6572 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Morgan Faule Morgan Farrell RS

Ravalli County Environmental Health Department

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